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Keeping pro soccer alive here part of Paul Mendes' job

by Joe Naiman

La Mesa's Pacific Teleproductions has arranged an Oct. 8 soccer game at Qualcomm Stadium between the Mexican champion team Guadalajara Chivas and the top Guatemalan team Club Aurora.

It's a pleasant opportunity for the San Diego area's soccer fans, but it's just part of the job for La Mesa resident Paul Mendes who has been with Pacific Telecommunications, since it started in business in La Mesa 11 years ago.

Mendes is from the San Francisco Bay area, but came to the University of San Diego to play baseball. He was a four-year starting second baseman, although with Padres coach Tim Flannery playing at Chapman during that time, he only made the all-district's second team twice.

When USD made the NCAA Division II playoffs twice during Mendes' college career, including the College World Series during his senior year in 1978, the school decided it needed a sports information director. The school had added several women's sports at that time.

To save money, it was decided to give the position to a student - Mendes. The better-than-expected performance of the Toreros forced him to move his wedding to an off-night between College World Series games, but Paul and Karen will celebrate their 20th anniversary next May.

"Getting that experience put me way ahead," he said. "It allowed me to learn and do things while I was going to school." Mendes was also fortunate that Buffalo's National Basketball Association team moved to San Diego after he graduated.

He held several positions with the Clippers until the team moved out of

San Diego after five seasons.

By that time, the San Diego Sockers were playing both indoor and outdoor seasons, and Mendes spent two years with the team as Vice President of Marketing.

When the Memphis Americans of the Major Indoor Soccer League moved to Las Vegas, Mendes accepted the position of general manager.

He also began working on a deal with Las Vegas' Channel 21 to package the Americans games along with University of Nevada Las Vegas major sports. The Americans lasted only one season in Las Vegas, and Mendes returned to San Diego. But the UNLV television deal was arranged, and Pacific Teleproductions was born.

He worked with San Diego's Cox Cable to produce telecasts for the Aztecs, International Hockey League Gulls and Sockers. The West Coast Hockey League Gulls and Mendes currently have a proposal to Channel 4 to televise this year's hockey games.

His job coordinating soccer matches goes beyond booking a stadium and getting two squads. It also includes ensuring that visas are issued to the players and flight arrangements are made.

The essential element, however, is two teams that want to play at a certain venue. With the United States hosting the 1994 World Cup, Mexico played three international matches in San Diego to prepare for the 1994 tournament, and Mendes and Noel Limon coordinated those matches. The Mexican



Paul Mendes

team averaged over 55,000 per game for those three friendlies.

The company didn't get the contract for the CONCACAF (North and Central America) Gold Cup in 1996, but he did meet the president of the Guatemalan soccer federation along with other top officials of that country, the necessary connections to arrange this week's game.

"We got two good teams. I think the Guatemalans like to play Mexico because they're the underdogs in these games," he said of the Chivas-Aurora matchup. "The quality of play is excellent."

He was also responsible for the U.S. Open Cup in January of this year, and for an April match in San Diego between Chivas and the Mexican team Club America.

The Mexican league's regular season ends Oct. 26. The lowest playoff-bound teams will play elimination

matches through early November.

Mendes is finalizing details of a match between Major League Soccer's San Jose Clash (coached by former Sockers player and coach Brian Quinn) and a Mexican team, which he hopes will take place after the completion of the Mexican League playoffs.

If Qualcomm Stadium can be made available early next year, Mendes wants to arrange another international match involving the Mexican team.

"I want to have a game where I can fill the stadium. For USA-Jamaica to fill 55,000 people is incredible," said Mendes, admitting envy that the recent qualifying match in Washington, DC, was the third straight sellout for the U.S. Mendes feels that a quality match will allow that goal to be achieved.

Meanwhile, he retains his interest in baseball. He served as president of the Rolando Little League in 1995 and 1996. Rolando teams won District 33's Tournament of Champions, and a 9 - 10 year old all-star championship team on which his son, John, played during the two years of his presidency.

John, his middle child, now plays in the La Mesa Pony League and plays soccer for the Nomads club.

Daughter Tara, 16, a junior at Helix High School is on the water polo and swim teams. His youngest, Alyssa, 11, is in sixth grade in Blessed Sacrament; she plays softball for Valley Mesa and soccer for the Nomads.

Getting everyone into the swim of things goal of Lakeside swim club

by Greg Eichelberger

Has the hot, sticky, sultry weather finally drove you to desperation and the need for swimming lessons? Has watching your four-year old lap you in the apartment or neighborhood pool shamed you into seeking professional help for your "buoyancy" problem (like Al Campanis)? Want all of the above, but don't have Bill Gates' income?

All of these questions can be answered by calling Pam Schiller, a masters (advanced) instructor, as well as a pre-competitive (youngsters from 6 - 14) coach at Swim Unlimited in Lakeside.

Joined by other staff members, Dave Kilmer (director), Jeff Graeme, Barbara Robertson (former Olympic trial participant) and Stephanie Barber, Schiller takes pride in helping those aquatically-challenged individuals to succeed where once only marine mammals dared to venture.

"We teach everyone from pre-schoolers to senior citizens," said the longtime Lakeside resident. "No matter what level or skill ability they may be at." She adds that she loves this posi-



(from left) Jenni Johnson, 9, Jeff Schiller, 7, and Kyle Hildebrandt, 8, of Lakeside are participants with the Unlimited Swim Club in Lakeside.

Photo by Pam Schiller

tion and hopes to pass that along to her son Jeff, 7, who is also a student.

The pool, a 25-meter facility with five lanes, three to 10 feet deep and containing four starter boards, has been in existence for decades, once belonging to the Lakeside Swim & Tennis Club. Six

doing a backstroke.

"We're not real picky on a person's ability," she said, "just as long as they know the basics."

And while competitive meets are not held here, style, training and preparation are taught at any of the club's

classes for matches which take place all over the county.

The last in this area, a free style festival and relay, took place at Montgomery Middle School in El Cajon last weekend; the next, a meet in Chula Vista on Oct. 11.

Masters classes are held Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 5 - 6:30 a.m.; Tuesday and Thursday, 9:30 - 11 a.m.; and Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7:15 - 8:30 p.m., while the children meet at various times.

Several events, including a recent trip to Big Bear, brought parents and swimmers together for a weekend of fun and frivolity. The club is planning more things to come throughout the year.

Schiller also indicated, in addition to raising their own funds for such activities (It is a non-profit organization.) via sales of Gold "C" Coupon books, baked goods, concession stand items, snack bar food and the like, the club could use the help of a friendly volunteer, now and then.

"We could always use that kind of help," she emphasized. For more information, call Swim Unlimited at 390-3900.

B Words

by Bob Burns

On being mayor

I must say that being mayor of our beloved city was the high point of my political career. Although it would have been best that we had a regular rotation of the post under the old appointive system, we did not do that. It remained for the people to decide on the question of a directly elected mayor, and they did overwhelmingly.

Next March, we will be having elections for three councilpersons and the mayor. Anyone who anticipates running for any of these posts should be preparing now. Take it from me, it takes time to do it right.

From where I sit now days, it seems to me that we do need good leadership in both council and mayoral seats. Although we are a small city, our problems and the seriousness of decisions are just as important as any other municipality, regardless of size. Spending our revenues needs as close consideration and study, whether we are talking millions or billions.

It appears that this is a unique situation where 80 percent of the city government could possibly be turned over. I sincerely hope that it does not happen. I am well satisfied with the present incumbents with regards to their past performances. By this, I do not wish to imply that there could not be changes for the better, or in any way discourage newcomers from seeking the seats. I would like to see a full blown race with some new faces that have the sincere purpose and goals of service to their community. The council and mayoral jobs are low pay, long hours, much study and always contain a very large target on ones back. You are always subject to second-guessers, and the universal question "Why did you not do it faster and cheaper?"

Here is a chance for the disenchanted to put their bodies where their mouths are. Monday morning quarterbacks can apply. The double speak of hazy logic and specious arguments comes into the spotlight of truth when someone has to take responsibility for the outcome. Sitting back and throwing theoretical darts from the shadows is an obsession with some. Whether it be like fighting an armless opponent who cannot hit back, or just the self gratification of belaboring someone else, it is not the stuff that good government is made of.

There are problems in our community. There are visionary projects that appeal to the heart, but tax the pocketbook. There are major choices as to how the future is engineered in the business, as well as the residential areas, of our town. This is serious business. If you are disposed to take a run at one of the seats, be sure that your intentions are for the best. Our city, and the community, deserves no less.

I have never favored term limits in any branch of government. We already have the ability to limit terms at the ballot box. I believe in experience and performance over profligate promises and protestations of great leadership abilities. Regular change and rotation will and should occur to bring new personalities and vigor to any job. I abhor voting on the sole basis of race, creed or gender, and would favor complete elimination of such boxes in application forms. I did not include age, but maybe it should be eliminated also.

Please choose your punch holes carefully when voting next March, and please vote...

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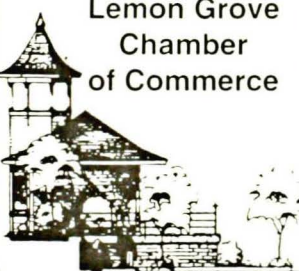
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Community Notes

German American Societies continue Oktoberfest

The German American Societies of San Diego will be holding its second weekend of Oktoberfest 1997 from noon - 10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at 1017 S. Mollison Ave. in El Cajon. There will be a Clubhouse Dance at 8 p.m. on Saturday.

Two bands will be highlighted. The Edelweiss Band will play Saturday and Sunday and The Bavaria Beer Garden Band will play Oct. 11 and 12.

The festival will include a beer garden, authentic Bavarian food, ox on the spit, Bratwurst and German wieners, sauerkraut, potato salad and red cabbage.

Activities will include contests, dancing, vendor and craft booths, a shooting gallery and raffle prizes.

For more information call 442-6637. To reserve a booth call Fay Kinley at 695-2141.

HMO to hold membership meeting

Great American Health Plan, San Diego's newest Knox-Keene licensed HMO serving Medi-Cal recipients, will hold a Member Orientation at 10 a.m. tomorrow at Scripps' East County, 1688 E. Main St., El Cajon. This orientation will be conducted in both English and Spanish.

Great American Health Plan members will receive important information on using their health plan, accessing benefits and staying healthy.

Children are welcome. Refreshments will be provided. To sign up for Great American Health Plan's Member Orientation, please call toll-free 1-800-605-5509.

UCSD to host Discover Days Oct. 11-Nov. 8

The University of California, San Diego invites prospective students, their families, school counselors and teachers to UCSD Discover Days, a series of Saturday events, Oct. 11 to Nov. 8, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The free programs will include welcome and information sessions, campus tours, application workshops, presentations and/or tours by several academic departments and opportunities to speak with admissions counselors.

Purpose of UCSD Discover Days is to give high school seniors and prospective transfer students an inside look at life at UCSD, helping them to narrow their college choice during the Nov. 1 - 30 University of California application filing period. Discover Days are sponsored by the UCSD Office of Admissions and Outreach. Activities begin on Library Walk.

The student-led campus tours will last one hour each and will run continuously each Saturday from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. These walking tours introduce visitors to the sights and sounds of the university, while tour guides offers a wealth of information about the campus.

Discover Days information is available on the Internet (<http://admissions.ucsd.edu/previewday.html>). For reservations, call the prerecorded number 534-8204 or call admissions and outreach at 534-4831.

Parking is free; it is suggested that visitors park in Lot 604.

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No. 65004-5 Reference No. 2775921
APN 480-450-50-00 YOU ARE IN
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DATED 10/20/95. UNLESS YOU TAKE
ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY
IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE.
IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF
THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS
AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A
LAWYER. On 10/28/97, at 10:00 A.M., Windsor
Management Company, as the duly
appointed Trustee under and pursuant
to Deed of Trust recorded on 12/28/95
as Document No. 1906-0594776 Book
- Page - of Official Records in the Office
of the Recorder of San Diego County,
California, executed by Gregorio M.
Castrejon and Catalina M. Castrejon
husband and wife as Joint Tenants, as
Trustor Pacific Thrift and Loan Com-
pany, its successors and/or assigns,
as Beneficiary. Will sell at public
auction to the highest bidder for cash
(payable at time of sale in lawful money
of the United States) by cash, a cash-
ier's check drawn by a state or national
bank, a check drawn by a state or
federal credit union or a check drawn
by a state or federal savings and loan
association, savings association, or
savings bank specified in section 5102
of the Financial Code and authorized to
do business in this state) At the south
entrance to the County Courthouse, 220
West Broadway, San Diego, CA at all
right, title and interest conveyed to and
now held by a under said Deed of Trust
in the property situated in said County,
California describing the land therein.
The Southern 74.50 feet of Lot 14 in
Longdale Manor in the County of San
Diego, State of California, according to
Map thereof No. 3514, filed in the Office
of the Recorder of said San Diego
County, October 4, 1996, said Southern
74.50 feet being measured along the
East line of said lot and the North line
thereof being drawn parallel with the
North line of said lot. The property
hereof described is being sold "as is."
The street address and other
common designation, if any, shown
herein. Said sale will be made, but
without covenant or warranty, expressed

or implied regarding title, possession
or encumbrances, to pay the remaining
principal sum of the note(s) secured by
said Deed of Trust with interest
thereon as provided in said note(s)
advances, if any, under the terms of the
Deed of Trust, estimated fees, charges,
and expenses of the Trustee and of the
trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-
wit: \$130,103.09 Estimated. Accrued
interest and additional advances, if any,
will increase this figure prior to sale.
The beneficiary under said Deed of
Trust heretofore executed and delivered
to the undersigned a written Declaration
of Default and Demand for Sale, and a
written Notice of Default and Election to
Sell. The undersigned caused said
Notice of Default and Election to Sell to
be recorded in the county where the
real property is located and more than
three months have elapsed since such
recording. Windsor Management
Company, as Trustee, 350 South
Grand Avenue, 4th Floor, Los Angeles,
CA 90071, Telephone Number: (310)
387-7728, Ellen Goslee, Trustee Sales
Officer, Date: 09/26/97 ASAP285759
10/07, 10/14, 10/21.

CITY OF LEMON GROVE NOTICE RE-ADVERTISING FOR BID

Sealed proposals will be received
by the City Engineer of the City of
Lemon Grove, California, up to the
hour of

2 P.M. on the 28th day of Octo-
ber, 1997 for performing work as
follows:

**Traffic Control Signs Replace-
ment and Update (A Hazard
Elimination and Safety Project)**

The re-advertised project work to
be done consists of furnishing all
materials, equipment, tools, super-
vision, labor and incidentals
required to complete the above

stated project. The work consists
of fabricating and installation of
400 street signs. Sign and Post
Assembly Removal & Installation
Funding for the TRAFFIC CON-
TROL SIGNS REPLACE-
MENT AND UPDATE (A
Hazard Elimination and Safety
Project) will be provided through
the Federal Hazard Elimination
and Safety (HES) Program. The
total Project budget for design and
construction includes \$99,000 of
HES funds. HES constitutes 100%
of the total project budget. HES
bid and contract requirements are
included in the bid packet.

This project has a goal of 15 per-
cent Disadvantaged Business
(DBB) participation. The bids
received will be publicly opened
and read at the City Offices 3232
Main Street, Lemon Grove, Cal-
ifornia. Copies of the bid package
consisting of a specifications
package may be obtained at that
location at a non-refundable
charge of \$10.00 per set. The
mailing fee is an additional \$5.00.
All bidders should direct their
questions during the bidding peri-
od to Carmen Link, John Powell
and Associates at (760) 753-1120.
No bid will be accepted from a
Contractor who has not been
licensed in accordance with the
provisions of Chapter 9, Division
III of Business and Professions
Code. The bidder for this Contract
must possess a valid A or C-61
(D-42) Limited specialty - Sign
Installation license.

The successful bidder must have a
City of Lemon Grove Business

License prior to commencement
of work.

The City Council of Lemon Grove
hereby notifies all bidders that it
will affirmatively insure that any
contract entered into pursuant to
this advertisement for bids, mini-
ority business enterprises will be
afforded full opportunity to submit
bids in response to this invitation
and will not be discriminated
against on the grounds of race,
color, sex or national origin in
consideration for an award.

Attention of bidders is particularly
called to the requirements of wage
rates to be paid under the Con-
tract. It should be noted by all bid-
ders that the current State
Prevailing Wage Rate scale for the
San Diego area will be required to
be paid by all bidders under the
conditions of the Contract. Specifi-
cally, this wage scale is the most
recent General Prevailing Wage
Determination Made By The
Director Of Industrial Relations
Pursuant to California Labor Code
Division 2 Chapter 1, Part 7, Ar-
ticles 2, 3 and 5. It shall be the
responsibility of the Prime Con-
tractor to comply with all applica-
ble sections of the California
Labor Code, including but not lim-
ited to Sections 1776 and 1777.3.

The City Council reserves the
right to reject any and all bids or
any combination of bids. Bids
must be accompanied by a 10%
bid bond as specified in Section 1.
Bidders Instructions of the bid
documents. No bidder may with-
draw his bid without forfeiture of
his bid bond within sixty (60) cal-

endar days after the actual date of
the bid opening.

Prospective bidders are hereby
directed to pay particular attention
to the applicable section in the bid
package for full directions and
requirements as to submittal of
bids, bonds and agreements.

Date: October 3, 1997

Charles D. Stuck
Public Works Director/City
Engineer

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plies with the Americans With
Disabilities Act. If you require
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Public Works Department at (619)
464-6934 at least 48 hours prior to
the scheduled opening.

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DEED OF TRUST DATED
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PROPERTY. IT MAY BE SOLD AT A
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EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF
THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU,
YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER.
NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE No.
172880 On October 14, 1997, at 10:00
A.M. at the South entrance to the
County Courthouse, 220 West Broad-
way, San Diego, CA in the city of San
Diego, County of San Diego, State of
California, California Reconveyance
Company, a California Corporation, as
duly appointed Trustee under that
certain Deed of Trust executed by
Joseph Batson and Che-Ann Batson,
husband and wife as trustors, recorded
on October 7, 1994, as Instrument No.
1994-0592409, in Book - Page - of
Official Records of San Diego County,
State of California, under the power of**

sale therein contained, will sell at public
auction to the highest bidder for cash,
or check as described below, payable at
the time of sale in lawful money of the
United States of America without
warranty, express or implied as to title,
use, possession or encumbrances, all
right, title and interest now held by it as
such Trustee in and to the following
described property situated in the
aforesaid County and State to wit:
APN # 480-520-41. The total amount of
the unpaid principal balance, interest
thereon, together with reasonably
estimated costs, expenses, and ad-
vances at the time of the initial publica-
tion of this Notice are \$133,615.22.
Currently dated Cashiers' Checks, or
Certified Checks payable to the Trustee
or bidder are acceptable to the Trustee
provided proper identification is avail-
able. From information which the
Trustee deems reliable, but for which
Trustee makes no representation or
warranty, the street address(es) or other
common designation of the above
described property is 2415 New Jersey,
Lemon Grove, CA 91946. Said property
is being sold for the purpose of paying
the obligations secured by said Deed of
Trust including fees and expenses of
the Trustee and of Sale. California
Reconveyance Company, as said
Trustee, By Deborah Brignac, Vice
President, 14251 Cortan Ave. Northridge,
California 91324, (818) 387-7728
Dated: September 17, 1997
ASAP284344 (09/23, 09/30, 10/07)

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 97-0735-1502 Loan No.
2050808028
**YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A
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MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE.
IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF
THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS
AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CON-
TACT A LAWYER.**
On October 28, 1997, at 10:00 A.M.,
Lonestar Mortgage Services, L.L.C.,
as duly appointed Trustee under and
pursuant to Deed of Trust recorded
July 20, 1978, as Instrument No. 78-
303687, of Official Records in the office
of the County Recorder of San Diego
County, State of California, Executed
by James N. Harris and Ernestine H.
Harris, husband and wife Will Sell at

Public Auction to Highest Bidder for
Cash (payable at time of sale in lawful
money of the United States) At the
South entrance to the County Court-
house at 220 West Broadway, San Di-
ego, CA. (Note: cashier's check(s)
must be made payable to Lonestar
Mortgage Services, L.L.C. all right, title
and interest conveyed to and now
held by it under said Deed of Trust in
the property situated in said County
and State described as: AS more fully
described in the above mentioned
Deed of Trust APN #576-503-06-00.
The street address and other common
designation, if any, of the real property
described above is purported to be:
1457 San Altos Place, Lemon Grove,
CA 92045. The undersigned Trustee
disclaims any liability for any incor-
rectness of the street address and other
common designation, if any, shown
herein. Said sale will be made, but
without covenant or warranty, ex-
pressed or implied, regarding title, pos-
session, or encumbrances, to pay the
remaining principal sum of the note(s)
secured by said Deed of Trust, with in-
terest thereon, as provided in said
note(s), advances, if any, under the
terms of said Deed of Trust, fees,
charges and expenses of the Trustee
and of the trusts created by said Deed
of Trust.

The total amount of the unpaid balance
of the obligation secured by the prop-
erty to be sold and reasonable es-
timated costs, expenses and advances
at the time of the initial publication of
the Notice of Sale is \$50,898.80.
The beneficiary under said Deed of
Trust heretofore executed and deliv-
ered to the undersigned a written Decla-
ration of Default and Demand for
Sale, and a written Notice of Default
and Election to Sell. The undersigned
caused said Notice of Default and
Election to Sell to be recorded in the
county where the real property is lo-
cated.
Date: October 1, 1997 Lonestar Mortgage
Services, L.L.C., as Trustee
Pat Moya, Authorized Signature Ad-
dress: P.O. Box 515388, Dallas, Texas
75251-5388. For Trustee's Sale infor-
mation please call (916) 927-2043.
Lonestar Mortgage Services, L.L.C.,
a debt collector attempting to collect a
debt. Any information obtained will be
used for that purpose.
Pub: 10/07/97, 10/14/97, 10/21/97
CNS1526659

Silver Hawks continue dominance of senior softball titles

The Southern California Silver Hawks senior softball team once again has won the 75+ age division at the 9th Annual Senior Softball World Series held in Irvine, Texas recently.

At this year's tournament, more than 120 teams competed, compared to the 60, who played in the 1989 inaugural series. There are 15 qualifying

tournaments.

The win brings the total to six championship rings claimed by the team in the nine years the Senior World Series has been staged.

The 75s had won the other "leg" of the senior softball championships by taking Senior World Softball title in Salt Lake City, which was held the

second week of September.

This is the second consecutive year the team has taken both titles.

In the double elimination rounds at Irvine, the team defeated Morgan Dentistry (Fla.), 12-5, Arizona Silver Foxes, 7-2 and the Palm Springs Nationals in the final, 11-6, to claim the title.

Holding top teams to less

than five runs per game average was attributed to the team's strong defense.

Offensively, the team was led by pitcher Don Berg, who had a .714 batting average and seven RBIs, Phil Seewald (3B, .647, 7 RBIs) and Dick Rice, who led the team with 10 RBIs.

For the eight tournament season, the team compiled a .501 batting average, despite

often playing down into the 70s age bracket.

The 75s record of six World Series and three Senior World titles is unmatched by any other senior team in the nation.

[Results of the younger age groups, including the La Mesa 65s, the Hawks 70s and women's teams had not been reported as of our publishing deadlines.]

Sports Beat with Greg Eichelberger

As summer blends into fall, the seasons mingle like running water colors on the palette of our souls ... Oh, who am I kidding? I'm not a poet! And there's no blending of seasons in San Diego, anyway. Just a few degrees lower here and there.

With the Astros and Giants falling like cheap bowling pins, the Braves will now face the Marlins in the National League Championship Series. Oh please, please, please, please, don't let Atlanta get into the series, again!

I'm sick of Ted Turner, I'm sick of his left-wing wife, Jane Fonda, I'm sick of the "Tomahawk Chop," I'm sick of Smoltz, Glavine, Neagle and Maddux, and I'm sick of the senior circuit always losing the series whenever the Braves represents it.

I'm not crazy about Miami (and let's face it, friends, it's the Miami Marlins, not the Florida Marlins), either, but I'd like to see Jim Leyland win something, for once.

As far as the AL goes, it will probably be the Orioles and Yankees (up 2 - 1 over Seattle and Cleveland, respectively, at the time of this writing). My preference goes to Cleveland. After all, New York won last year, and, if the Tribe gets in the Fall Classic, I can interview Brian Giles when he comes back to participate in Steve Vickery's winter baseball camp.

One funny baseball note: Lakeside legend, Bob Cook (Heisman Trophy runner-up) asked me at last weeks "Unity in the Community" mixer, if Sterling Hitchcock had made fun of Joe Naiman's shoes (as I pointed out in a previous column). There's no pulling the wool over this water board member's eyes is there?

In high school football, it seems unbelievable, but El Cajon Valley not only remained unbeaten at 4-0, but did it by smashing San Diego by a unbelievable (there's that word again) score of 48-0. In another non-league action, Helix edged Point Loma, 24-22, on a last-second field goal by Luke Johnson.

Meanwhile, the rest of the Grossmont League teams were beating up on each other. Valhalla put Santana back in the loss column (after a 15-game losing streak was broken last week) with a convincing 31-7 trouncing, its first win of the season (QB Aaron Sanders' had two TD passes, 148 yards), Granite Hills edged El Cap, 13-6, on a 70-yard fumble return by linebacker Halgord Abbas for a TD. Grossmont stuck it to Mount Miguel, 34-6 (Foothillers QB Sam Huff, eight for 13, 245 yards) and West Hills moved to 4-0 as it humbled winless Monte Vista (0-4), 28-14 (Wolf Pack's Lon Sheriff passed for 164 yards and three TDs). Three lost fumbles didn't help the Monarchs cause.

The new Classic Sports Network has people talking. Last week at a roller hockey game in El Cajon, the rink was all-a-buzz about the channel's great old fight films, Super Bowl highlights, past NBA, NHL and ABA title games, Home Run Derby and World Series reviews, among other things. Fact is, all my jock friends love it. Call your cable company today.

You'll love this. The new Lakeside Boys & Girls Club will have a grand opening for their new Bob and Kay Hill (two dead people who gave a lot of money away) Gymnasium, on Oct. 15, beginning with a dinner at 5:30 p.m. For details, call Lesa Mitchell or Jerry "Just-Back-From-Alaska" Fazio at 440-1600.

The "3-On-3" basketball war will take place at West Hills High on Oct. 11 and 12. Dial 420-1089 for more information.

East County's Cari Slater, the Special Events Coordinator with the San Diego Gulls, has informed me that opening night is Oct. 24 against the new Phoenix Mustangs (7:05 p.m.). The next day, there will be a special 2 p.m. hockey match between the San Diego and Los Angeles fire departments, followed by a 4 p.m. fire expo, tailgate party and barbecue.

Proceeds are to benefit the Burn Institute. It's also Magnetic Schedule Night, as the Gulls take on the Fresno (Fighting) Falcons at seven. A nominal \$10 ticket gets you food, fun, a hat and both games. Tickets and t-shirts are available through the Burn Institute by calling 541-2277.

Lekos Electric's employees cheer on company-owned car to championship

by Joe Naiman

Lekos Electric got into sponsorship of Cajon Speedway cars for employee morale as well as for publicity. Now the El Cajon company's 40 employees have a track championship.

Cajon Speedway awards trophies for each division: a driver championship and a car owner winner.

Usually the same owner/driver team wins both, but this year driver champion Gary Tamborelli borrowed Gary Jenkins' car after Tamborelli's was damaged during a heat race.

The 34 points Tamborelli earned that night were needed for the Sportsman Stock driver award, but the car points went

to Jenkins instead of Tamborelli to give John Lekos the owner's prize.

"We created a lot of excitement for our sponsors and the employees of our company. That was one of our main goals, to get people out to the racetrack," said Lekos.

The company was founded in 1989. Employee Joe Stone, who drove at the Cajon Speedway, talked his boss into buying tires in exchange for sponsorship. "It's his fault," quipped Lekos of Stone. "If it wasn't for Joe, I'd have a lot more money right now."

He eventually bought a Sportsman Stocks car along with a hauler and trailer. This year, Stone decided not to drive for family reasons, and

Lekos secured 1996 Sportsman Stocks champion Jerry Gay as a driver. He also bought a second car, which Donnie Williams drove this year to a top 10 finish.

"It started out easy and then it snowballed," remarked Lekos. The car which Gay drove in 1997 accumulated 990 points during the season for Gay and Lekos. Tamborelli accumulated 1020 points overall and 986 points in the his car.

During the last race of the season Lekos Electric workers and their families took up three rows in the Cajon Speedway stands.

"It built morale in the company. That was the whole idea, to get the employees together," said Lekos.

East County High School Sports Schedule Oct. 7 - Oct. 14 (varsity and club) (as available)

Tuesday, 10/7 - GIRLS TENNIS Mount Miguel at Monte Vista, Valhalla at Granite Hills, El Cajon Valley at West Hills, El Capitan at Grossmont, Christian at Claremont

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Mount Miguel at Valhalla, Monte Vista at Helix, Grossmont at West Hills, Santana at El Cajon Valley **GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY** West Hills vs. Mission Bay, El Cajon Valley at University City

Wednesday, 10/8 - BOYS WATER POLO Helix at Granite Hills, Valhalla at Monte Vista, El Capitan at Santana, El Cajon Valley at Grossmont **GIRLS VOLLEYBALL** Christian vs. SDUHS **GIRLS TENNIS** Christian at Coronado

Thursday, 10/9 - GIRLS TENNIS Valhalla at Mount Miguel, Helix at Monte Vista, West Hills at Grossmont, El Cajon Valley at Santana, Christian vs. Gompers

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Valhalla at Helix, Mount Miguel at Granite Hills, Santana at Grossmont, El Capitan at West Hills **CROSS COUNTRY** Grossmont at El Capitan **GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY** El Cajon Valley vs. Madison, West Hills vs. Morse

Friday, 10/10 - FOOTBALL Monte Vista at El Cajon Valley, Grossmont at Valhalla, West Hills at Granite Hills, El Capitan at Mount Miguel, Helix at Santana, Christian at Claremont Homecoming game

BOYS WATER POLO Monte Vista at Granite Hills, Mount Miguel at Helix, El Capitan at El Cajon Valley

West Hills at Grossmont **CROSS COUNTRY** Monte Vista at Mount Miguel, El Cajon Valley at West Hills, Valhalla at Granite Hills at Cuyamaca College

Saturday, 10/11 - CROSS COUNTRY Christian at Small Schools Invitational at Morley Field **Tuesday, 10/14 - GIRLS TENNIS**

Helix at Valhalla, Granite Hills at Mount Miguel, Grossmont at Santana, West Hills at El Capitan

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL Granite Hills at Helix, Monte Vista at Valhalla, Santana at El Capitan, Grossmont at El Cajon Valley **GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY** West Hills at Scripps Ranch, El Cajon Valley at Bishops



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